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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: INDIA-CHINA RELATIONS, PAKISTAN;
NEW DELHI.

This countrywide cable reports on relevant media reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press. The Mission reports on English-language media via email through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

INDIA-CHINA RELATIONS

¶1. "UNNECESSARY CONCERN ABOUT CHINA," op-ed in July 5 Hindi daily, DAINIK JAGRAN: "In 1962, India's political and military leadership was not experienced enough to face China. The question is should we be still worry about another armed struggle with China? 2009 is not 1962, and now India may not have to face the 1962-like military failure. At that time, China was not a part of the international community, so it was not concerned about the consequences of a war. If China goes to war in Arunachal Pradesh, it will have to pay a heavy price at the international level. That does not mean, however, that we do not further strengthen our army."

PAKISTAN

¶2. "ZARDARI'S HELPLESSNESS," op-ed article in July 2 nationalist Hindi daily, VIR ARJUN: "The entire world wants to see peace between India and Pakistan. India is not willing to restart a dialogue with Pakistan unless the latter stops terrorists from using its soil against

India. President Zardari, on his part, has openly admitted he is helpless. The relationship between both governments is understandable, but when our leaders start talking about friendly relations with Pakistan it raises doubts about their intelligence. It's just not possible. Pakistanis are born with anti-India sentiments -- it is their basis for existence."

13. "FAILED STATE," editorial in July 3 right-of-center Gujarati daily, GUJARAT SAMCHAR: "Violence and bloodshed unleashed by the Taliban is pushing Pakistan towards destruction. Despite Pakistan figuring in the list of the ten 'failed states', America continues to provide economic aid to it. Even Pakistani citizens have realized that their leaders are busy in the power struggle and are not concerned with progress and development. To make matters worse, the extremists are waiting for an opportunity to take control of the country's nukes. This is an alarming situation for the world. A failed Pakistan might spell disaster for global peace and security."

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